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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
14th June 1865.*

No. 356. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department:—

Recording letter from the Quarter Master General reporting on the present state of Regimental Cook-rooms, and forwarding a statement showing the articles considered necessary for the cleanliness, &c., of Regimental Kitchens. (Here enter 5th June 1865, No. 2,089.)

No. 357.

ORDER THEREON, 14th June 1865, No. 1,646.

MILITARY WORKS, No. 22.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineers, with reference to the Proceedings of Government No. 3,201, dated 7th November 1864.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineers.

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers:—

From the Quarter Master General, Fort Saint George, 15th May 1865, No. 5371;
to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Referring to the Orders of Government, dated 29th October last, No. 3846, I have the honor, by order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, to state that the general tenor of the Reports from Divisions is that nothing material can be done to improve the cooking of men, so long as the present wretched Cook-rooms remain, but that, if Sir Hugh Rose's Circular, dated 13th June 1863, be strictly attended to, it is the limit to which the men may expect to derive any benefit under present circumstances, Government having prohibited any expense in alterations or improvements being incurred. But the erection of Duff's Stoves at other stations than Bangalore and Wellington must take a long time to effect, and meanwhile the Soldiery must continue to suffer the serious inconveniences they are now subjected to.

2. The Commander-in-Chief has already applied to Government that a Serjeant Cook be authorized for each Regiment, and from a recent communication from England it does not appear that the services of Native Cooks are to be dispensed with.

3. On the 8th October last, the new List of articles of Barrack supply for the three Presidencies was forwarded to Government through the Controller Military Accounts, but it is believed that it has not yet reached Government. The Committees have various suggestions as to what articles should be allowed to Regimental Kitchens, but His Excellency considers that the evidence adduced by the Bengal Committees will settle this point for the three Armies, and that therefore it will suffice to await the result.

4. The same remark applies to the question of number and pay and subordination of Native Cooks.

5. It may however be useful to place on record here, what are the articles which the Officers of this Presidency consider necessary to the comfort of the men, and cleanliness of the Regimental Kitchens as they are—a statement is enclosed.

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ORDER, No. 2089, 5th June 1865.

Recorded, with reference to Proceedings of Government, No. 3846, dated 29th October 1864.

2. The Governor in Council observes that the prohibition, with regard to Buildings in that Order, was not intended to prevent any minor alterations, for the better ventilation and cleanliness of the present Cook-rooms being effected wherever required, but that new Buildings could not meanwhile be sanctioned.

No. 1787, dated 11th May 1865.

3. The subject of paragraph 2 has been disposed of in the Order of Government marginally noted.

(True Extract.)

Macmillan
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General.

- „ Adjutant General.
- „ Controller of Military Accounts.
- „ Public Works Department. *With 20 spare Copies.*
- „ Barrack Master, Fort Saint George.

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